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FRUITS AND VEGETABLES SOLD BY MOTHER DAIRY
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of fruits and vegetables sold through Mother Dairy and Safal booths in Delhi during each of the last three years;

(b) the quantum of fruits and vegetables procured by Mother Dairy directly from growers associations, cooperatives, Government-authorized mandis and private vendors/traders during the above period;

(c) whether Mother Dairy products are being made by the private companies; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): The total quantity of fruits and vegetables sold through Mother Dairy and Safal booths in Delhi during each of the last three years is as under:-

2002-2003 95,463 Metric tons
2001-2002 90,300 Metric tons
2000-2001 61,260 Metric tons

(b): The quantum of fruits and vegetables procured from various sources is as under:-

(in MT)

Source	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003
Grower/Associations	33648	50909	56946
Cooperatives	5494	7673	8410
Government Authorized Mandis	22016	30528	29163
Private Vendors/traders	1755	2359	1827
Total	62913	91469	96346

(c): SAFAL Pickles and Namkeen are being outsourced from private organisations.

(d): Details of outsourced products are as under:-

Sl.No.	Items	Sourced from

1	Pickles	M/s Astra Agro Foods (Pvt.) Ltd., Mohali (Punjab)
	Namkeens	M/s Bikanerwala Foods (Pvt.) Ltd., Delhi.

These products are being outsourced because volumes are very small, and setting up of own facility is not economically viable.